

## **MEDIA STATEMENT ON FAIRPRICE'S TRIAL TO CHARGE FOR PLASTIC BAGS**

From Singapore Environment Council's study titled "Consumer Plastic and Plastic Resource Ecosystem in Singapore" released in August 2018, Singaporeans use about 820 million plastic bags from supermarkets each year. Singapore's plastic ecosystem is linear, from producers to consumers and to the waste bin. We encourage consumers to use less plastic and use reusable bags. FairPrice's "No Plastic Bag" trial to reduce plastic bag use is commendable and for a good cause.

Please attribute the quote to Ms Jen Teo, Executive Director, Singapore Environment Council.

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